

THE CIMARRON CITIZEN

The Cimarron Valley Has the Land, Climate and Water. Wanted---One Thousand Farmers

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OPEN STORE WITH DANCE

Crocker Mercantile Co. Give Big Dance in New Building

The Crocker Mercantile Co. formally opened its big store on the corner of Ninth street and Washington avenue last Saturday evening with a dance given to all Cimarron and its cousins.

The company had just finished moving its large stock from the old store in old town into the new quarters which it had made for itself in the remodeled building it recently improved. Everything was new, spick and span, and the big floor in the store room made an ideal place to hold a dance of the kind. Early in the evening the merry couples began to assemble, and it was late in the night before the dancers feet grew weary. Not only did the Crocker Mercantile Co. give a dance and furnish most excellent music for the affair, but it served a dainty and satisfying lunch to all its guests. A most enjoyable evening was spent by all present.

TO START CLUB HOUSE

Rayado Fishing Club To Start Five Cottages

The Rayado Fishing Club, which was recently organized and which has leased the fishing privileges on the Rayado and five hundred acres of land from the Abreu ranch, is now getting ready to improve their possessions at once. The club had E. H. Fisher out on the grounds last Thursday to survey out the five hundred acres to be used as a horse pasture, and to locate the building sites. Mr. Whitney and Mr. Fisher spent the entire day going over the proposition, and the result is that all the preliminary work is completed.

The site chosen for the buildings is an ideal one. It is near the trout stream, and is surrounded by some of the most beautiful scenery in this part of the country. The club plans to build five log cabins on the property for the accommodation of its members and their guests. The largest of these cabins will have a big dining room and a fire place will occupy most of one end. Connected with the dining room will be a commodious kitchen and off the kitchen will be a bed room for the chef, which the Club will keep on the premises at all times. Aside from the dining cabin, there will be four other cabins. Three of these will be two-room affairs, and one will be a one-room structure. These cabins will be used by the club members and their guests as sleeping houses. The plans for these rustic buildings have been completed, and are now in the hands of contractors, and it is expected that bids for the work will be in the hands of the secretary of the club in a few days. As soon as a satisfactory bid has been received, the work of construction will be pushed forward as fast as possible.

STEEN TAKES VACATION.

Henry Steen, the assistant secretary of the Cimarron Townsite Co., is taking a month's vacation from the duties of his office, spending the month out on the Rayado. While out in the mountains, he has charge of the interests of the new Rayado Fishing Club, acting as keeper and game warden, and relieving John Livingston who is spending the month in Cimarron looking after his interests here.

NOTABLES GO FISHING

RAILROAD OFFICIALS TAKE AN OUTING WITH THE TROUT---PRIVATE CARS.

Last Thursday evening a party of railroad officials came into Cimarron, bound for the trout streams in this vicinity. The two private cars, in which the party traveled, stayed in Cimarron Thursday evening, and were then taken up to Ute Park the first thing Friday morning. The party consisted of Mr. J. van Houten, vice president and general manager, W. A. Gorman, general freight and passenger agent, General Superintendent E. J. Dedman, and General Attorney Chas. A. Spies, all of the Rocky Mountain road. In addition to the Rocky Mountain officials, was Gen. Supt. Sharp of the Western Grand Division of the Santa Fe in his own private car. The party were all anticipating a fine outing among the trout streams.

\$1,700 FOR "KIDS," \$8,000 FOR DOGS, IS CHARITY'S WAY

New York, June 9.—The relative value of dogs, cats, and children gets striking light in the comparison of two items in the New York papers. After a campaign of ten days, made with much show of energy, a fund of \$1,700 has been made up to feed the starving children of the poor districts.

Without any effort and with no publicity other than a brief notice of the accomplishment of the fact, \$8,000 has been put up in the same time to provide the means of caring for homeless cats and dogs.

The largest contribution to the fund for children was about \$50. The dogs and cats drew one subscription from Mrs. Russell sage of \$7,500. The \$8,000 reported represents only a portion of the cat-dog fund, and is merely intended to buy automobiles to bring them to the homes where milk, blue ribbons, and mice will be provided by the generous.

The kids of the East Side will walk to the soup kitchens.

BRYAN'S DAUGHTER ILL

Denver, June 9.—Mrs. Ruth Bryan Leavitt, daughter of Wm. J. Bryan is ill at the home of her father in Lincoln, Neb., and will be unable to return to her home in this city this week. Her condition is said to be serious.

BAD FIGHT IN PRISON

Marshal Shoots Prisoner Who Fires Jail and Fights Rescuers

Carlsbad, N. M., June 9.—A Mexican prisoner, confined in the county jail, which is located adjacent to the court house, attempted to fire the building and cremate himself here yesterday evening by setting fire to his cell and then attacking every one who attempted to rescue him from death and extinguish the blaze. It was finally necessary for Marshal Carl Gordon to shoot the man twice to prevent him from killing his rescuers, and to save the building from entire destruction. Jailer Pat Middleton attempted to put out the fire, and at the same time get the Mexican out of jail, but was viciously attacked and rendered unconscious by being struck with a heavy steel billy. Marshal Gordon, who witnessed the affair, attempted to subdue the Mexican by hitting him with a pick handle. The prisoner succeeded in obtaining the pick handle from Gordon, who, in order to protect himself from being clubbed to death, was forced to shoot. The Mexican was fatally wounded. After the prisoner had been subdued the fire was extinguished. The damage to the jail and court house amounts to about \$200.

EXHIBITION BUILDING

For Colfax County at Albuquerque to be Started Next Week

The big building which Colfax county is to have at the Albuquerque Irrigation Congress is to be started this next week. The plans for the building have been out for some time, and the grounds upon which it is to be erected have been selected for some weeks. The situation is one of the best, if not the best, of any county building location, and the building that Colfax county will put up is to be a credit to the location and to Colfax county.

Workmen, under the management of John Chesworth, who has been foreman for the Cimarron Construction Co., are to leave Cimarron in a few days and get to work on the erection of the building. The work will be pushed through as fast as possible, in order to have the building all completed and ready for the enormous exhibits that Colfax county will send to the big event. The farmers and ranch men of the county are vying with one another in an effort to show the world what Colfax county can raise and the various other exhibits along every line imaginable will be of the broadest and most minute nature that one could think of. If the world does not realize that Colfax county is a great county, it will not be because the exhibits are not ample in every line, nor because the county has not provided a suitable building to house the exhibits.

AUTO PARTY VISITS US

C. F. REMSBERG BRINGS PARTY TO CIMARRON IN THREE AUTOMOBILES

Last Sunday a big party of Raton people, as guests of C. F. Remsberg, visited Cimarron in automobiles. Starting from Raton Sunday morning in three big touring cars, the party reached here in the forenoon, and took dinner at the Swastika Hotel. After making a tour of inspection around Cimarron, the party left for the return run to Raton about the middle of the afternoon. Mr. Remsberg states that he can leave Raton at the same time the train does, and reach here about a half an hour before the train shows up, and do it without any trouble, because the roads are fine for his touring car.

The party of last Sunday consisted of Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Remsberg and family, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Fairbanks, Mrs. Hindle, and the Misses Young, Bookert, Marie Miller, Barbara McKensie, Nora Davis, Hawk and Nellie Scanlon.

WILL BUILD FIVE HOUSES

CONTINENTAL TIE & LUMBER CO. WILL BUILD FIVE MORE HOUSES.

Cimarron is now witnessing a revival in the building line. Jas. Dancer has just completed a business building. Dr. Bass is erecting a fine residence. E. A. Riley is now building a big two-story office building, and now comes the announcement that the Continental Tie & Lumber Co. are going to begin the erection of five new houses on their property. These houses will be of the same general design as those it has already built for the use of its employees. They will be neat structures and will be rented to employees at a nominal figure. The increasing business of the big mill has made it necessary to employ more men, and the company finds it best to give its men every accommodation possible.

RESERVOIR COMPLETED

Farmers Development Company Complete Big Reservoir

Last Wednesday afternoon, the last earth was moved in the big irrigation system that the Farmers' Development Company has been pushing through in the Rayado country. By this system, water is taken from the Rayado river just below the old Abreu place, and stored in a big reservoir which the company have just completed. The dam for the reservoir is over a thousand feet long, and over forty feet high. The storage capacity is over one billion gallons of water at a filling, and about three hundred acres are covered with water when the reservoir is filled. There are over nine miles of ditch in the system, and over ten thousand acres of land will be supplied with sufficient water to meet all needs.

Colt & Windburn had the contract for building the intake ditch and the reservoir dam, and this work has been completed for some little time. The hills on the north side of the reservoir were found to be too low for the height of the dam, and it was necessary to build twenty-six hundred feet of dyke along the hill top in order to store the water contemplated, and the contract for building this dyke was let to Mr. W. C. Bosley. Mr. Bosley was in Cimarron last Wednesday and he stated that he had just completed his contract, thus finishing up the last work to be done on the whole system. The dyke, as is stated, was twenty-six hundred feet long, and the highest fill was eleven and a half feet high.

The Farmers' Development Co. have already sold a large portion of its land to settlers from the middle west, and fine crops are being grown on the rich land. This company has shown its earnest desire to develop Colfax county, and is to be congratulated on the energy and push with which it has taken hold of such a large undertaking as was the building of its big irrigation project. In order that the purchasers of its lands may have every opportunity to raise big crops, the company has, at its own expense employed two expert irrigation men to instruct the farmers in the proper manner of using the water for irrigation. These two men, who have made irrigation, in a scientific manner, their life study, spend their whole time in the interests of those purchasing lands from the Farmers' Development Co., and big results are being looked for.

RAILWAY COMMISSION WANTS ITS SALARY

Denver, June 9.—Members of the State Railway commission are about to bring mandamus proceedings against State Treasurer Bent for their salaries and that of their clerk. The action was decided upon, following the recent decision of the supreme court.

WOMAN TAKES POISON; REPENTS TOO LATE

Greeley, June 9.—Mrs. Charles C. Davison, living near Hardin, last night wrote a note to her husband saying, "Take good care of the baby; I am tired of living." She then took a large amount of strychnine. Running to her husband she told him what she had done. He secured a physician as soon as possible, but the woman died in convulsions before he arrived. The woman is believed to have been mentally unbalanced.

BELIEVES ASTROLOGER

Pueblo, June 9.—Yesterday Miss Pearl Bowman visited an astrologer who told her, "Beware tomorrow; you will suffer from gasoline." The young woman was cleaning clothes with the fluid today and, bearing the admonition of the astrologer in mind, she carried the gasoline to an adjoining room after finishing her work, and closed the door. She had just left the house when an explosion occurred. The house was nearly destroyed by fire and \$1,200 worth of furniture was burned. She now believes in astrology.

NOTED DIVINE PREACHED HERE

Rev. G. H. Adams Preached In Methodist Church Last Sunday---Good Words for Cimarron---Known Here

Last Sunday evening, the church-going people of Cimarron were enabled to hear a very fine address by one of the most noted divines in the southwest, Rev. G. H. Adams, sometimes known as the "Blind Preacher." Rev. Adams has been in Cimarron a number of times in the past two or three years, and his eloquence is well known here. Aside from being a most earnest and forceful speaker he is a most interesting and well read gentleman. He makes his home at Phoenix, Arizona, but spends his summers in northern New Mexico and Southern Colorado, in order to enjoy our cool climate, which he says is most delightful.

In speaking of Cimarron, Rev. Adams said: "When I got off here about a year ago, I did not think that your fine little town had any prospects of making a good and growing city. But I have since changed my mind. I do not know of any other city in the whole Territory, and I have

traveled it from end to end and from side to side, that has come to the front as has Cimarron. It has weathered the financial panic better than any city of its size that I know of. I see that in spite of the hard times, you are erecting new buildings here. If a new city, hardly a year and a half old, can pass through such conditions as we have been having without more bad effects than are noticeable here your future is assured. Most new towns in the Territory have gone flat, and the fact that Cimarron has held on so well, makes me have absolute and implicit faith in its future."

Coming as these words do from a thinker and widely traveled man, the encouraging sentiment expressed is indeed most gratifying to all Cimarronites. We all know what we have here, but it pleases us to find out that others have the same belief in Cimarron and its future that we city in the whole Territory, and I have

VIEWS PROJECTS

Territorial Engineer Sullivan in Cimarron

Last Thursday evening Vernon L. Sullivan, territorial engineer, visited Cimarron, coming up from Springer, where he had been investigating the big work of the Farmers' Development Co., which has just been completed.

Mr. Sullivan, accompanied by E. H. Fisher, the engineer of the Cimarron Townsite Co., went out over several irrigation projects which have been planned in the vicinity of Cimarron by various parties, with a view of ascertaining what is necessary to be done in order to comply fully with the laws of New Mexico relative to the appropriation of waters. Before any waters can be appropriated in the Territory, full maps showing ditches, etc., must be filed with the office of the Territorial Engineer, and full working plans of all dams, etc., must also be placed on file and be approved by Mr. Sullivan.

Mr. Sullivan states that the natural opportunity for development of big irrigation projects, and the watering of lands here in Colfax county, can not be equalled by any other section in the Territory, and that in his opinion, Colfax county and the Cimarron Valley will be one of the garden spots of the southwest.

SCHWACHHEIM IN CIMARRON

SCHWACHHEIM IN CIMARRON REPRESENTS PIONEER MERCANTILE CO. OF RATON---OLD RESIDENT.

T. F. Schwachheim, an old resident of Cimarron, but now located in Raton, was a business visitor here in Cimarron last week. Mr. Schwachheim is traveling representative of the Pioneer Mercantile Co., of Raton, dealers in vehicles, implements, hay, wire, etc., and he states that the business done by him while here in Cimarron was most satisfactory.

NEW HARDWARE STORE

Henry Livran Will Open Hardware Store in Riley Building

Mr. Henry Livran, who was formerly connected with the Maxwell Mercantile Co., will start up a hardware store here in Cimarron very shortly. While Mr. Livran has not been connected with the Maxwell Mercantile management for some time, until very recently he has had a large interest in the stock of the company. Now that he has severed all connection with the company he will branch out in this new enterprise for himself. He has rented the eastern most store room in the new Riley business block, now under course of construction just east of the post office, and will open up his store with a full line of hardware of all sorts, sporting goods, and some harness. He expects in time to have an expert tinner in charge of a tin shop to be run in connection with the hardware, and he will also have a good saddle and harness maker in his harness department as soon as the business can be started.

Mr. Livran is one of the up-to-date and hustling business men of Cimarron, and no doubt he will meet with the success that his enterprise deserves.

GAVE VERY GOOD SHOW

Last Friday and Saturday nights the Ralston & Cameron Co., which has visited Cimarron before, gave two entertainments in the Matkin Hall here in Cimarron. The show which consisted mainly of moving or living pictures, and a few illustrated songs, was an entertainment of a very high nature and was deserving of a big audience.

STRUCK BY TIMBER AND FATALLY HURT

Elbert, June 9.—L. G. Jewell, 48 years of age and proprietor of a saw-mill near here, was struck in the head with a flying timber when the saw was reversed suddenly this afternoon and received injuries that will cause his death. His skull is fractured.